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**RESPONSE**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of July 8, 2002, the applicant wishes to elect the claims of Group II for continued prosecution in this matter. The claims that remain are: 21-25, 51-55, 86-91, 95-114 and 129-138.

**REMARKS**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Account No. 16-2230.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: August 7, 2002

  
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